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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning line 16 of page 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

a1 Figure 5A illustrates an example of a pretreatment of the stratum corneum.

Please replace the paragraph beginning line 18 of page 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

a2 Figure 5B illustrates an example of a coupling agent being applied and an ultrasound treatment being performed.